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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Cindy Grellman

Dear Fellow WIN Members,

This is my last president's message for Winning Ways. I've had a wonderful four years, and want to thank everyone who served on the board with me these last two years. What an awesome group of people I had to work with, and everyone always pulled together as a team for the good of WIN. Many, many thanks to Don Charters, Rita Jene Sledz, Dorothy Baber, Patti Finner, Lorelei Lissor, Jim Best, Prue Fitts and Jerry Morgan. I don't think that anyone will ever match Don's enthusiasm and energy when it comes to selling raffle tickets! Rita Jene has taken our minutes and fulfilled her secretary's duties like a pro. Dorothy kept our purse strings nice and tight and her books were always balanced. Patti kept us on track and was wonderful in helping with the by-law revisions. Lorelei served us well as publicity chairwoman and kept WIN's name in the spotlight. Jim took over the job of editing Winning Ways and has maintained the high quality of our publication. Prue has always helped in any capacity possible, including selling raffle tickets and giving educational programs at WIN meetings, just to name a few. Jerry gave his all as our fund raising chairman and kept our coffers "fat." On behalf of myself and the entire membership of WIN, I thank each and every one of you for your years of dedication to Women In Numismatics!

Patti Finner was head of the nominations committee for our slate of officers and board members for the next two years. Everyone is running unopposed, so no election will be held. The names should be published elsewhere in this issue. I believe that WIN is in very good hands for the next two years. Remember, an organization is only as strong as its individual members. All WIN members can help at conventions by selling raffle tickets, giving an educational presentation at a WIN meeting, and other similar activities. You can support WIN any time of the year by writing an article for publication in Winning Ways. Please get involved, and I promise you'll enjoy the time you invest in YOUR organization!

Our next meeting is during the FUN convention in Orlando in January. WIN will meet at 8:00 AM on Saturday morning, January 10th. Please check the convention program for the room number in the Orange County Convention Center on International Drive. We'll have an educational program and installation of officers at this meeting. I hope to see you there!

I wish all of you a joyous holiday season, and a healthy, happy and prosperous 2004!

Cindy

WIN Meeting

Place: **F.U.N. Convention**
Date: **Saturday •• January 10, 2004**
Speaker: **Gerald Kochel**
Subject: **SS Central America**
Time: **8:00 AM**
Join us for coffee and rolls

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BALTIMORE

By Rita Jene Sledz

Oreoles ball games
and crab cakes and sea bass.
Five special nickels
for viewing though through glass.
Volunteers scampering past to and fro,
these are the signs of a very good show.

Passports and coins could be seen on the mint mile
B.E.P. drawings with crowds deep in their aisle.
A wizard in purple from head to toe.
These are the signs of a very good show.

Oh the harbor
during daylight
is a wonder
to behold,
but especially at night
with the lights very bright
in red, white, and blue and gold.

Dealers as busy as some banking tellers
with so many buyers outnumbering sellers.
Public attendance a welcoming flow...
These are the signs of a very good show.

Meetings and meetings and auctions stupendous.
Rows of exhibits that seemed to be endless.
Club memberships that will certainly grow.
These are more signs of a very good show.

Oh the stories
and the glories
more than you will ever know. . .
so ANA . . . all participants say,
"It WAS a very good show."

Report on ANA Summer Seminar

By Kathy Freeland

After having had the pleasure of winning one of the WIN scholarships, I was able to take one of the core classes offered by ANA: The Complete Numismatist. Taught by Arthur Fitts along with several guest speakers on different subjects, the class was an electic mix of people, ranging from Don Charters, Rita Jene Sledz, and Nick Coleman from Michigan to Mike Ellis, who taught the Minting Process in the first session, and several in between. The diverse group brought a variety of interests in collecting and learning about coinage, and our instructor and guest instructors Mary Sauvain, Charlie Davis, Ken Bressett, and others added a rich mixture of information to our class.

We disussed the very basics of money (what is money), different kinds of primitive money, the earliest coins, tokens and medals, and the very modern minting process and what has changed over the last 50 years. We also learned how coins were made in the early days of money and how different governments had money made for their rulers. We also had the opportunity to view the Bass Collection, as well as the Colorado exhibit and the World War II money on display at the Money Museum, conducted by host Larry Lee. We had the opportunity to see a variety of early sources of information about money from Charlie Davis. All in all, it was a very good and interesting week, with lots of information passed on to all members of the class. A special thanks to Art Fitts for putting up with "silly questions from a novice collector" trying to learn about all different facets of collecting and numismatics! Also, thanks to WIN for providing me with the opportunity to attend Summer Seminar 2003!

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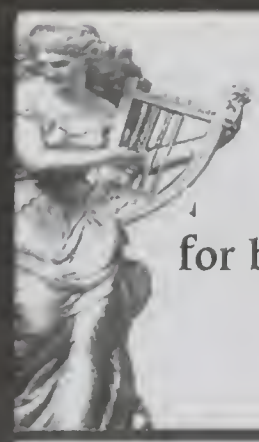

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EDITORS NOTEBOOK

JIM BEST, Editor

As I write this article in early December in Florida, we are having a cool snap, temperature in the 40's and 50's in the early morning and into the high 70's and low 80's during the day, just perfect weather for a round of golf. I have to sympathize with you who have to struggle with COLD weather from mid November to late April, but someone has to do the warm dirty work and who better than ME. I hope you all are having a wonderful holiday season and that you have good health and happiness during the coming year.

As we approach the New Year there are many new happenings in the numismatic field, of course the new 5 state quarters, and the new 2004 NICKEL, and the many 2004 mint products. I am sure there is something for everyone and hopefully bring new collectors into our great world of numismatics.

I am still in need of articles for the magazine and am hoping that some of you will step forward with an article. It is these articles that make the magazine and without them it is a struggle to make it a viable publication. So put a pen/pencil, or keyboard in your hand and give it a try.

Congratulations to the new Board of Directors and give them your support by attending a meeting in your area or again writing an article for your publication, **WINNING WAYS.**

SEE YOU AT FUN SHOW IN JANUARY

Literary Award Winner
Prue Fitts
"A Closetful of Clothes
and Nothing to Wear".
Jim Best presenting Prue with
a Literary Award Plaque.

A.N.A. W.I.N. Meeting
Speaker Bill Lenz gave a slide
presentation and had many
specimens of his own
collection on Hard Times
Tokens. Don Charters
presenting Bill with a
certificate of appreciation.

Prue Fitts wins the 50/50 drawing presented by Don Charters

WIN presents ANA Library
Check for $500.00

WIN Members supporting
the organization at ANA in
Baltimore

Adventures in Numismatics and the Sights of Colorado Springs

By Karen Jach

Thank you WIN for awarding me a scholarship to the ANA Summer Seminar. I traveled to the event with Pat Bethe who was the recipient of a scholarship from the Milwaukee Numismatic Society. We flew from Milwaukee to Denver and rented a car to reach our destination of Colorado Springs.

Pat and I shared a lovely 3-bedroom apartment in the new dorms, which had a majestic view of Pikes Pead, along with Anne Bentley a well-versed and fascinating lady from Boston. Anne is a curator at the Massachusetts Historical Society who was enrolled in a related course for her employment. She shared many accounts of experiences at her work place. She spent her childhood in a variety of foreign lands because her father had been a memeber of the US diplomatic service and was reassigned every two years.

The course I took "Adventures in Numismatics" was taught by a longtime friend of mine Brian Fanton.

The course surveyed the history of coin collecting , the minting process, and the lore and legend of U.S. and world coins, paper money, tokens and medals. Special emphasis was placed on coin grading, and we spent several days grading coins. The participants gained considerable knowledge about the grading of coins which was one of many highlights of the course.

Each student also received a book *Helpful Hints for Enjoying Con Collecting* by *Bill Fivaz*. Bill visited our class and autographed our books.

Another highlight of our morning class was a special viewing at the ANA Museum where curator Larry Lee showed our class of 12 students the 1804 dollar and 1913 Liberty Head nickel. Each student was allowed to hold and examine these coins.

After lunch at Worner Center, our afternoon was spent viewing the sights of Colorado Springs. Sandy Hill from ANA staff was our tour guide and our itinerary was extensive. Monday, we went to the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo which has some 650 animals from around the world and breathtaking mountain scenery.

Tuesday, we had lunch at the Cliff House in Manitou Springs. It was a welcome change and the food was wonderful. We had a tour of the historic building and spent time shopping in Manitou Springs. Wednesday, we toured the Van Briggle Pottery and Patsy's Candy factory. Thursday, we drove through the beautiful Garden of the Gods.

Thursday morning we received our diplomas from Brian our instructor, and that evening we attended the graduation reception and banquet which also served as a retirement party for Ed Rochette, ANA Executive Director.

On Friday, July 11th, we began our trip back to Milwaukee. Nevin Roberts was kind enough to drive us to the Denver Airport and were were most appreciative. Our return flight was enjoyable and were were welcomed home as we flew over the lighted open roof at Miller Park while the game was in progress. I was greeted at the airport by my husband Jim, and our golden retriever Rex was waiting for me at home.

Thank you WIN and the ANA staff for an unforgettable experience.

Brian Fanton and Karen Jach outside ANA headquarters at Colorado Springs.

Graduation and Banquet
Dave Hunsicker, Pat Bethe, Karen Jach and Chet Krause

Maria Theresa

By Prue Fitts

The next time you look at your life in frustration - you and your family are suffering from cabin fever [pick one: too hot, too cold, too rainy to go out]; your kids are role models for (*Where the Wild Things Are)*; your husband (wife, stud muffin, whatever) is crabby; your computer ate your last masterpiece,;your boss demanded a change in your vacation time which made the above even CRABBIER; pause, and say these two words to yourself: Maria Theresa, Maria Theresa, Maria Theresa.

She bore 16 children and ruled an Empire which covered one third of the area of Europe with a population of 18 million people. She was married to a man who was considerably less gifted than she, but whose presence as **Mr. Empress** had to be stroked from the first as he signed over his rights to her Empire. But what makes her truly remarkable is that - by all rights - she shouldn't have been crowned at all. And having been crowned, she shouldn't have ruled. That she did - and did well is nothing short of awesome. [1.]

For Centuries, marriage between royal families was a commodity - a currency to bind kingdoms and ensure loyalties. Proposals were being considered when she was 6 or 7. She excelled in languages, studied French, Italian, and Latin (Hungarians used that to transact business) and she loved music as did all the Viennese in a city where clocks played melodies instead of chiming. **No** lesson included geography or politics of lands outside her father's immediate kingdom, although he (as Charles VI) had inherited vast tracts with complex and diverse problems. [2.] When the only son and it was apparent there would be no more children, Maria Theresa (called Mutz)[3.] became even more important as a dynastic bargaining chit. Her father spearheaded the "Pragmatic Succession" decree which ensured that a woman could rule after his death.

Maria Theresa met her future husband Francis Stephen of Lorraine when she was 6 and he was 15. Impressed, Charles proposed to his father that their dynasties merge. Charles oversaw Francis' schooling and ultimately gave him the governorship of Hungary, a post Francis endured only because it was close to Vienna. Maria Theresa's formal education ceased when she turned 18 and the next year he proposed.

In the marriage contract, she gave up all rights of succession should her mother produce a male heir; he pledged not to claim any of her patrinage should she die first. They were married in February of 1739.

The next year, under pressure from his mother, Francis renounced his ancestral duchy in favor of his younger brother. Perhaps to make up for this, Charles appointed him to the Privy Council, but when war was declared against the Turks, Francis went to the border to take part. He missed the birth of his first child, a daughter; two more followed in rapid succession. The Viennese joked about Francis' ability to produce a male heir.

In 1740, their oldest daughter died as did her father [4.] when Maria Theresa was only 23. She was immediately challenged by Frederick II of Prussia who invaded Silesia, the wealthiest of the Habsburg lands and the closest geographically to him. It was a calculated move to begin uniting his provinces with the greater goal of ultimately challenging the Hapsburgs. He inhaled Silesia and continued to eye her lands.

Maria Theresa inherited a mess. No doubt, her father had expected that Francis would turn over the Empire to her husband and while we do not know what transpired between them, the hand that was on the sceptre the next morning, was hers. "No one will, I think," she said "disagree that it would not be easy to find in history an example of a crowned head acceding to the government in more unfavourable circumstances that I did myself." Two wars with France and Turkey had weakened the Army and depleted the treasury; huge gifts had been made to the Church to ensure salvation as well as gifts to the nobility to buy their loyalty. The Crown advisors recommended compromise with Frederick - not confrontation.

With no money, no credit, no army, no experience and no advice, Maria Theresa learned fast. She consulted,

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Maria Theresa

By Prue Fitts

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negotiated, planned, dictated and held the Empire together with her own willpower. She gathered information from her department officials. She enlisted help from the Hungarians to augment her paltry troops and drove off the Bavarians.

Governance was cumbersome. Her political bowl of spaghetti included five basic sections: the Austrian lands

included Upper Austria, Lower Austria, the Tyrol and Inner Austria [much of the modern day Austria]: The Bohemian lands included Bohemia and Moravia [in modern Czechoslovakia] and the duchy of Silesia; the Italian possessions included Milan and Tuscany; Hungary, included Transylvania, Croatia and the military frontier; modern Belgium and German possessions [collectively known as the Vorlande] made up the Western provinces. Each land differed in language, laws, and customs - the only commonality was their ruler. Each negotiated separately with the Habsburg monarch for financial and military parameters.

She borrowed ideas for reform of feudal life from anyone she could, including the loathsome Frederick the Great. She codified the obligations and services of serf and lord insisting that peasants be paid with money to improve their condition. Products raised or created were sold on a free market to earn more cash. Potatoes became the new staple food as a stopgap for crop failures and famine. Nobles now paid property and income taxes. An advisory economic council and a central place for auditing finances were created from all the various dominions. She organized the first census, and a land survey. Tariffs were lowered and payments on import and export commodities were revised to encourage trade. She invited foreign businesses to develop nonagricultural resources - minerals, and timber. She established a school of mining and social legislation to protect workers, child labor was abolished. The first public housing project was near the factories.

In the midst of this steep learning curve, Maria-Theresa was delivered of a son, Joseph, in 1741, and she was crowned Queen of Hungary three months later. She, not her husband, addresed the Hungarian Diet[5.] - there was no doubt who was in charge.

She never forgave Frederick II for challenging Silesia (and ultimately winning it after many years of tossing it back and forth) feeling that he viloated the sacredness of the Monarchy by taking it. But she gained a man who would become her right hand man, Frederick William Haugwitz, a refugee. With him, she instituted the first period of reform from 1746-1756. Not surprisingly, her Ministers were unanimously opposed to his appointment but she considered him to have been sent by Divine Providence and backed him without qualification. Curiously, she did not turn to her husband for advice although she refers to getting the Emperor's apporval. One wonders about their pillow talks!

The Estate was put on a fiscally resp-ponsible schedule to give the government predictable annual revenue. A centralized office oversaw tax collection. The Army was paid promptly (soldiers in the German lands received additional shares in hard currency). Her government arranged loans, tax privileges and subsidies to protect businesses from foreign competition. Roads were improved to facilitate commerce. Manufacturers of wool, silk, flax woolen cloth and all minerals and metals for foreign trade were given commercial and tax benefits.

If childbirth could be called "time off', she had plenty. By this time, she had given birth to nine daughters and four sones. [6.] [7.]

Vienna, capital of music was blessed with brilliant composers; Haydn, Mozart, Bethoven and others. When he was six, Mozart played his first composition there - his Minuet and Trio in G for the Empress. After finishing, he jumped into her lap and she laughed. [8.]

She was puritanical when it came to the morals of her court and nobility (not mentioning her husband), and set up a Chastity Commission. Her opera manager had to adapt many plays in order to avoid offending her. As most Catholics of the time, she also had a "bitter loathing' for the Jews. They were forced to wear yellow patches, and were shut in the homes on Christian holidays. Many chose baptism as a way to overcome disrespect and great hardship.

1761-1778 was the period of the second reform. The times cried for change - this was the period of Enlightenment shaped by the ideas and scientific discoveries of Newton, Descartes, de Spinoza, Bacon and Locke. A new powerful advisor - Wenzel Anton, Count Kaunitz proposed a closer alliance with France to "dismember Prussia". In 1768, the criminal code was finished but because her son, Joseph, heir designate and now 27 did not apporve, it was not introduced as law. [9.] Abandoned children were a special concern and their protection was legislated. Compulsory schooling at all levels and locals was created and paid for by the state. She started a medical school and teachers colleges.

Francis was not idle. Finally titled Holy Roman Emperor, his real interest was natural history. Renowned botanists loaded Schonbrunn, the palace home, with plants establishing it as Europe's richest collection of tropical plants. He promoted the cataloging of the garden.

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Maria Theresa

By Prue Fitts

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10. The 1760's were a devastating time for Maria Theresa as a small pox epidemic hit much of the country. Here husband and two of her children died.[11] as did the beloved wife of her son, Joseph who became both Holy Roman Emperor and co-regent with his mother. She championed inoculation which saved her remaining family and with Doctor Ingen-Holz [12] established clinics in the provinces.

In 1780 she died at the age of 62 - [13] and her son took over in seamless succession. But it is she who pulled off the main event for the Hapsburgs. She was the first woman to occupy a throne in central Europe. She worked harder than her ministers; she was courageous in her convictions and eager to learn new ways to help her country. Above all, she brought a fierce dedicatin to her job using her gifts of tact, compassion, and understanding - as well as a warmth and a joy in life.

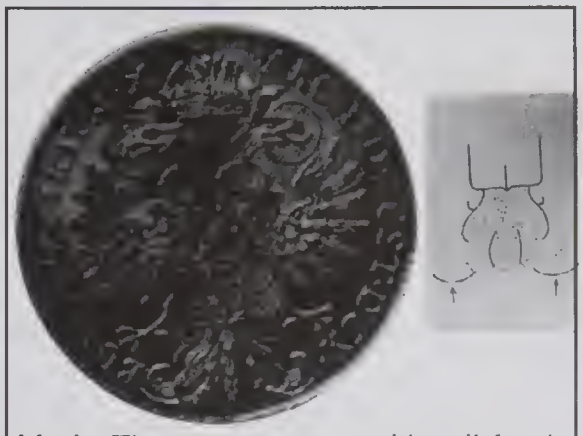
So the next time the sink backs up, be glad you don't have to call on Frederick II to fix it!

Coinage the pfennig was introduced in the 8th Centruy and became the only coin in Charlemagne's Empire. One pound of silver was equivalent to 240 pfennigs or denars; 12 pfennigs = 1 schilling; 20 schilling = one Pfund or pound. Maria-Theresa's protrait appears on much of her coinage - the kreuzer ranged from the single unit to the 30 kreuzer. The taler was the first large silver coin in history and was the same value as the guldengrossen -

(large gold). By the end of the 15th C many minting authorities had copied the guilder grossen and added their own protraits and coats of arms. A superfluity of silver ensured its success. Maria Theresa introduced her famous taler in 1741. It became one of the most renowned trade coins in the world due to its high silver content and its unchanging portrait. After her death, it we restruck but always bears the date of her death, 1780.

Taler collectors have much to choose from, her portrait ages, and her curls move from the nape of the neck to high on the head. Later her head is shown veiled and even the number of pearls on her brooch change. It was a highly successful trade coin and many are countermarked to show country of origin. The reverse of the coins shows various coats of arms with the double headed eagle coat of arms, even these vary in number and docoration. They are a study as fasciniting as the lady herself.

Maria Theresa reverse with 4 flattened tail feathers on double eagle



Maria Theresa reverse with tail feathers with raised "buttons" on double eagle.

(Photo on page 7): Maria Theresa obverse taler with 8-9 pearls.

Showing Maria Theresa taler with Chinese chop marks.

Footnotes:

1. As was the fashion, she was dressed as a miniature version of a lady with low neckline and train and held a nosegay in one hand and its ribbon in other. It was typical, artificial post of the time.
2. Hungary was undergoing reconstruction after a century and a half of Turkish rule; his Italian and Belgian provinces were in transition from Spanish to Austrian. Trade has begun as far away as China.
3. With her two sisters, Maria Anne and Amalia
4. After eating two bowls of rich wild mushroom soup cooked in oil.
5. Parliament
6. A man hired to plan her day drew up the following plan: up at 8; mass until 9(warning that cold coffee could upset her stomach, however); 9:30 - 11 reading or listening to reports from her ministers, followed by an hour with her private secretary for order and the signing of documents. Her mid-day meal at 1:00 to be punctual followed by 15 minutes for coffee and an hour's rest, after which she could visit her family; from 3:30 - 6, more reports from the ministers; the two and a half hours until dinner would be for praying or listening to company. He recommended nothing after supper even if she had the time.
7. With eleven of the children' Joseph is on the left; the daughter who would become Marie Antonoinette of France is in the background. Note the dogs.
8. An apocryphal story states that she passed a weeping mother sitting on the street side. The mother told her she had no milk for her baby. Usually always nursing, the Empress sat down and opened the royal bodice and helped out. Contemporary accounts describe her marriage as "bourgeois" as she and Francis shared a bed and spent a lot of time with their children.
9. It continued the sanction of torture and the death penalty, two punishments she felt were vital. In 1776, she consented to a abolition of torture.
10. Shown with Nicolas Jacquim, first botanist to use Linnaeun Classification; Valentin Duval, director of Francis' coin collection and Jean Francois Marci, numismatist and mathematician who taught the children.
11. She was 48. As Queen Victoria would after her, she cut off her hair and wore mourning for the rest of her life. She draped the rooms in the palace, removed her jewels and never looked at another man.
12. He later discovered photosynthesis.
13. A vignette showing her last day. She is in the arm chair with her family around her.

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W.I.N. Scholarship Award

If you would like to apply for WIN's scholarship award to the ANA summer conference, now is the time! Deadline for applications is the second week of December. If you want to apply, please send a letter to the editor stating why you want to attend the conference. Also send a signed and dated disclaimer that you will not hold WIN responsible for loss or injury while attending or traveling to or from the conference.

WIN pays airfare up to $300, tuition, and dormitory room and board for a double occupancy room. You are eligible if your WIN dues are paid and you have not won a scholarship in the last 5 years. The winning name will be drawn at the WIN meeting in conjunction with the FUN show in Orlando every January. You do not need to be present to win. We look forward to receiving your application SOON!!

Slate of Officers

Election at January Meeting:

Come and support the new board

President: Prue Fitts
Vice President: Don Charters
Secretary: Rita Jene Sledz
Treasurer: Cindy Grellman

Patti Finner
Jim Best
Carrie Best

2 – Members-at-Large
to be appointed by President

From the Secretary's Desk

WIN meeting
Saturday August 2, 2003
8:00 AM
Baltimore, Maryland

Meeting opened 8:10 A.M. by President Cindy Grellman with a sincere "Thank You" to all early risers attending the meeting which included 18 members and 4 guests. After intro's were made of attendees our guest speaker Bill Lenz spoke on Hard Times Tokens. His slide presentation together with his awesome collection was very interesting proving his expertise on the subject. On behalf of WIN, Don Charters awarded a certificate of appreciation to Bill for his excellent program.

An election year is coming up with the nominating committee being Jim Best, Patti Finner and yours truly. The new slate of officers will be installed at the FUN Show in Orlando at the January 2004 meeting.

$500 was donated to the ANA library fund with the presentation being made on the bourse floor.

Discussion was held on changing the size of the Winning Ways Journal but decision was made to continue as is for the time being however the color to be blue for the cover.

Prue Fitts suggested a mentor program to pair up memebers with new memebers in a special area of interest. Motion made by Jim Best . . . seconded by Remy Bourne . . . carried.

The board agreed to lower the rates for membership as follows: $25 Member. . . $10 Associate . . . $5 YN effective January 2004. Dues that were paid in August 2003 or later were accepted as the remainder of 2003 and all of 2004. This reduction in dues should encourage all of you to recruit new members.

The literary award for 2003 went to Prue Fitts for her article "A closet Full of Clothes - Nothing to Wear." Congratulations Prue, we at WIN are proud to have you as a member.

Our 50-50 drawing went well not only at the show but thanks to those of you who sent in their stubs and money for the cause. The drawing was won by none other than Prue Fitts who won just over $600 with the remainder going to our treasury. Special thanks to Don Charters, Myrna Lighterman, and Prue Fitts and those at the FUN table for their hard work selling on the bourse floor.

Due to late sales the drawing was held at 11:00 A.M. at the message center.

As in the past we have only six sets of WIN elongateds made that sell for $25 each set. Contact Cindy Grellman for info regrading availability.

The ANA seminar was discussed in great detail by all of us at the meeting. Believe me it is awesome. . . so do apply early and plan to attend.

We had three great door prizes with Remy Bourne, Jerry Morgan, and Nancy Wilson the lucky winners.

Meeting closed at 9:00 AM.

See you in Orlando!!!

Respectfully,

Rita

Rita Jene Sledz
Secretary

Women in Numismatics BY-LAWS

Revised September 2, 2003

ARTICLE I - Name
This organization founded on February 7, 1991 shall be known as Women In Numismatics.

ARTICLE II - Purpose
Section A. The objectives and policies of this organization shall be:
1. Raise the professional status of women in numismatics.
2. Provide a networking forum for women in numismatics.
3. Provide educational opportunities to women in numismatics.
4. Gain recognition for women within the industry.
5. Assist women in obtaining positions within the industry.

ARTICLE III - Membership
Section A. Classifications and qualifications. There shall be five (5) classifications of membership.
1. Charter Members - Regular memberships prior to February 7, 1992 shall be classified as Charter Membership.
2. Regular Members - Regular membership shall be open to those who are 18 years of age or older and are actively engaged in numismatics and/or its related fields. Regular members may vote and hold office.
3. Junior Members - Junior membership shall be open to those who are 17 years of age or younger and are actively involved in numismatics and/or its related fields. Junior members may vote but not hold office.
4. Honorary Members - Honorary membership shall have all rights and privileges of membership except those of voting and holding office.
5. Associate Members - Associate membership is for regular members' significant others. Associates will not receive a Winning Ways Journal but will have full voting rights and may hold office. A membership pin will only be issued to an Associate Member who attends WIN meetings and is willing to wear the WIN pin at coin shows and other appropriate occasions.

ARTICLE IV - Applications and Dues
Section A. Application
1. Applications for Regular, Associate and Junior Membership shall be made in writing on the WIN Membership Application Form.
2. All applicants shall return a signed copy of the WIN Members Code of Ethics with the WIN Membership Application Form.
Section B. Dues
1. Dues for the established WIN fiscal year shall accompany the WIN Membership form.
2. Dues are not required for Honorary Members.
3. 20% of all dues will be placed in the WIN Scholarship Fund.

Section C. Fiscal Year
1. The fiscal year for this organization shall begin January 1 and end December 31 of the same year.

Section D. Status of Members
1. Good Standing - A member in good standing is one who pays required dues and participates in the activities of the organization.
2. Delinquency - A member whose dues are three (3) months in arrears shall be considered delinquent and so referred to the Board of Directors. A member so reported may be dropped from membership and shall be so advised by written notice. The Board of Directors may, for sufficient cause, extend the time of payment.
3. Reinstatement - A former member may be reinstated at the discretion of the Board of Directors upon payment of necessary dues.

ARTICLE V - Government
Section A. The Board of Directors
1. The governing body of WIN shall consist of nine (9) Directors, each having equal rights.
a. Those being Officers: Elected and Appointed: Elected Officers of WIN shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and three (3) Directors.
b. Two (2) Directors can be appointed by the President with approval of the Board.

Section B. The Immediate Past President shall serve on the Board of Directors in an advisory and non-voting position.

Section C. Term of Office
1. All officers, elected and appointed, shall serve a term of two (2) years.

Section D. Vacancies
1. Vacancies within the Board of Directors because of death, dismissal or resignation, will be filled by appointment of the President, subject to the approval of the majority vote of the Board Members.

Section E. Board of Directors Responsibilities
The Board of Directors shall have the power to act upon the affairs and business of WIN, including, but not limited to, the following:
1. The election of members to fill the vacancy of any elected office.
2. To rule on the disposition of formal charges brought against any member of WIN.

3. To set membership fees and dues of members from time to time.
4. To remove from office any elected or appointed officer who does not, or cannot, meet the requirements or perform the duties of his or her office.
In the event that any officer, whether elected or appointed, does not contribute, participate, or indicate any intention of being active in their responsibilities for a period of not less than six (6) months; or, in the opinion of the Board, the officer does not stay within the bounds of propriety, dignity and good taste; the Secretary shall make attempts to contact said officer and verify their intention on the matter. If the Secretary cannot contact the officer or receive assurance of their desire or capacity to function actively in their Board position, the Board shall have the right to vote, at the discretion of the President, or majority of the Board, to have the officer removed from the position.
5. To employ agents and counsel.
6. To hold meetings at such times and places as it thinks proper.
7. To carry on correspondence and communicate with other associations interested in the numismatic industry.
8. To carry into execution such other items as it deems proper and expedite to promote the interests and the objectives of WIN and its members.
9. To ratify appointments by the President.
10. To receive and act upon all resolutions before they are submitted to the general membership.
11. Amounts of reimbursement and limitations shall be determined by the Board.

Section F. Board of Directors Meetings
1. The Board shall meet once each calendar year at a time and place to be set by the President upon notification of at least three (3) weeks prior to the meeting.
2. When deemed necessary by the President, Vice-President, or by any three (3) Directors, regular or special meeting may be held through any communication means available, provided that all persons participating can hear each other and speak to each other. The Board shall determine by regulation how and when such telephone or other meetings shall be held.

Section G. Action By the Board
1. Quorum - A quorum for transaction of business at any regular or special meeting of the Board shall consist of five (5) voting members.
2. Voting - The affirmative vote of the majority of the Board of Directors present at any meeting shall be required to pass any motion, adopt any resolution, or amend the bylaws or Code Of Ethics of WIN. At least three (3) affirmative votes shall be required in any event.
3. Procedure - Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order and these bylaws.
4. Compensation
a. No member of the Board of Directors shall receive compensation for services to WIN.
b. At the Board's discretion, the Editor of Winning Ways may receive an honorarium to cover costs in personal equipment used to produce WIN's Journal and/or extraneous duties as requested by the Board.
4. Reimbursement for Expenses - Directors may be reimbursed for expenses including, but not limited to, the following: secretarial expenses, long distance telephone calls, telegrams, postage, printing and photographic supplies, any necessary expenses to perform the duties of each office.

ARTICLE VI - Responsibilities and Duties of The Officers and Board of Directors
Section A. President - The President shall have supervision over all affairs of WIN. The duties of the President shall include, but not be limited to the following:
1. To preside at all WIN meetings.
2. To call meetings of WIN and the Board of Directors.
3. To preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors.
4. To appoint committees that may, from time to time, be necessary and to remove them at will.
5. To fill, by temporary appointment, any vacancy in any elected office, upon Board approval, until a successor is elected by the general membership.
6. To promote the general welfare of WIN.
7. To speak on behalf of WIN, or to designate others to do so, subject to consultation with the Board of Directors.
8. To serve as an advisory member of the Board of Directors for one (1) year following the conclusion of the Presidential term.
9. To provide a column for each WIN Journal.
10. To sign, with the Treasurer, all written contracts and obligations of WIN
11. To provide the agenda for Board Meetings.
12. To perform such other duties as are necessarily incumbent to the office of President of WIN.

Section B. Vice-President - The Vice-President shall have the following duties:
1. Upon the request of the President, to offer assistance in the discharge of the Presidential duties.
2. To act in the place of the President in the event of the absence or disability of said Officer.
3. In the event of the death, disability, resignation or removal of the President, to succeed to the office of President.
4. To be in charge of WIN meeting room availability. Duties shall include, but not be limited to, notifying the editor and president of meeting arrangements, scheduled speakers and/or programs for said meetings and refreshments.
5. To act as Program Director for all WIN meetings.
Section C. Secretary - The duties of the Secretary shall be:

1. To record all business transacted at membership meetings and meetings of the Board of Directors, and keep the minutes in a permanent file.
2. To mail minutes of the general membership and Board of Directors meetings to all Board Members. In the absence of the Secretary, the Board of Directors may appoint a Secretary Pro Tem.
3. To keep accurate membership files.
4. To receive membership applications and dues.
5. To forward dues monies to the Treasurer.
6. To order stationary and envelopes as required.
7. To conduct WIN correspondence.
8. To supply the Journal Editor with mailing labels of current members prior to publication; or shall furnish the Journal Editor a current membership list thirty (30) days prior to the printing date.

Section D. Treasurer - The duties of the Treasurer shall be:
1. To receive all monies collected from any source, and to keep an account of same.
2. To maintain records of all monies received and expended for use of WIN.
3. To forward all membership information to the Secretary.
4. To make disbursements only upon receipt of an itemized expense report form in a timely manner. No disbursements will be made without this procedure.
5. To deposit all sums received in a bank or banks in WIN's name.
6. To prepare a report of all funds received and disbursed to be delivered at each general meeting.
7. To prepare an accounting of all funds received and a full and final report on all matters pertaining to the office of Treasurer at the end of the WIN fiscal year. To make a report of the same when called upon by the President at the expiration of the Treasurer's term, the individual holding that office shall deliver over to the successor all books, monies and other property, or, in the absence of the Treasurer-Elect, to the President of WIN.
8. To arrange for an audit at the President's discretion.

Section E. Parliamentarian/Sergeant At Arms - The duties of the Parliamentarian/Sergeant At Arms shall be:
1. To be familiar with Robert's Rules of Order and shall advise the President and Board members.
2. To furnish parliamentary advise when the WIN bylaws are to be amended.
3. To maintain order and decorum at General meetings.
4. To attend the meetings of the Board of Directors.

Section F. Publicity Chairman - The duties of the Publicity Chairman shall be:
1. To publish notice of meetings and information about WIN in the trade publications.
2. To coordinate a photographers attendance at general meetings and special events.
3. To provide photos of general meetings and special events to the WIN Journal Editor.
4. To actively engage in promotions and publicity to enhance the WIN goals and purpose.
5. To attend the Board of Directors meetings.

Section G. Journal Editor - The duties of the Journal Editor shall be:
1. To be editor-in-chief of the WIN newsletter.
2. To collect features for each issue from members.
3. To write, edit and type (or arrange for typesetting) of the Journal.
4. To arrange for publication of the Journal for the January, April and August issues or as set by the Board of Directors.
5. To mail (or arrange for mailing) of the WIN journal.
6. To establish Journal advertising rates under the direction of the Board of Directors.
7. To attend the Board of Directors meetings.

Section H. Members At Large - The duties of the two(2) Board Members At Large shall be, but not limited to:
1. Duties assigned by the Board of Directors to committees or other positions as needed by WIN.
2. To attend the Board of Directors meetings.

ARTICLE VII - Financial Limitations
Section A. Contracts
1. No member of the organization, including Elected Officers, shall enter into any contract on behalf of the organization with another person or agency without the sanction of the majority of the Board of Directors when such a contract involves commitments of financial payment other than ordinary operating expenses of the organization.

ARTICLE VIII - Election of Officers
Section A. Continuity - The present Board of Directors and Elected Officers of WIN shall continue in office until their successors are elected and installed.

Section B. Nominating Committee - Prior to December 1st of each election year, the President shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of three (3) members who shall present to the President and Board of Directors on or before December 1st, a slate of candidates willing to serve, in the pending vacated positions. Members-at-large are not nominated as they are appointed positions.

Section C. Ballot
1. The President shall instruct the Secretary to prepare and mail a ballot to all eligible members allowing a three (3) week deadline for return.
2. The President shall call a Board Meeting, insuring a quorum is present, for counting ballots and notifying successful candidates.

3. In the event the slate for election is running unopposed, the slate will be presented at the January general meeting and one vote will be cast.

Section D. Installation
1. The installation of the newly Elected Officers and Board of Directors shall occur at the January general meeting.

Section E. Meeting of Officers
1.The President shall call a meeting of the outgoing and newly elected Board Members upon the adjournment of the January general meeting to complete the transition process, and to provide the transfer of records.

ARTICLE IX - Meetings
Section A. General Meetings
1. Regular membership meetings shall be held in conjunction with as many major shows as possible, with special consideration given to the FUN show, the Spring Central States show, the summer ANA convention and the Fall Long Beach show.
2. Additional meetings shall be announced by the Board through the Publicity Chairman or through the WIN Journal.

ARTICLE X - Code of Ethics
Section A. Pledge
All members shall, as a condition of admission to WIN, sign a pledge reading as follows, and shall comply with the provisions of this Code of Ethics as a condition of maintaining membership in WIN:
As a member of Women In Numismatics (WIN), I acknowledge membership is a privilege, not a matter of right, and recognize my obligation towards my fellow members and Women In Numismatics.
This Code of Ethics has been approved by the Charter Membership of WIN. A breach thereof by any member reflects upon all members, directly or indirectly, and shall be considered cause for termination. Current WIN Directors at time of Code of Ethics breach shall have the right to determine such conduct is not within the best interest of WIN and terminate membership.
As a member of Women In Numismatics, I pledge to:
1. Abide by this Code of Ethics as terms and conditions of membership.
2. Conduct myself as to not bring discredit to WIN or impair the prestige of the membership thereof.
3. Freely exchange information with other members when requested.
4. Base all of my dealings on the highest plane of justice, fairness and morality.
5. Strive to further the numismatic education of this membership through attendance of and assistance in conducting of numismatic programs sponsored by WIN.
6. Neither buy nor sell numismatic items of which the ownership is questionable.
7. Conform to the accepted standards of advertising.
8. Take immediate steps to correct any error I may make in any transaction.
9. Fulfill all contracts made by me, orally or written, make prompt payments upon delivery and return immediately any item that is not satisfactory.

ARTICLE XI - Parliamentary Authority
The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order - Newly Revised shall govern the WIN organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any Special Rules of Order the WIN organization may adapt.

ARTICLE XII - Non-Profit Provisions
Section A. Dissolution
Upon dissolution of the WIN organization, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the organization, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation, which has established tax-exempt status under Section 501C of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section B. Earnings
No part of the net earnings of the WIN organization shall ever inure to or be the benefit of or be distributed to its members, trustees, directors or other private person, except that the organization shall be empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution in furtherance of the exempt purpose for which it was formed.

Section C. Activities
Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, the WIN organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an associate exempt from Federal Income Tax and Under Section 501c4 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1991.

ARTICLE XIII - Amendments
Section A. Bylaws
1. These bylaws can be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors of WIN by a vote of 2/3 of the vote of the members of the Board attending, provided that a quorum is present. No amendment may be made by the Board that affects the voting rights of the members without the members having first approved the same by majority vote.
2. These bylaws shall go into effect thirty (30) days after approved by the Board of Directors.

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